

OEXA 83-0505
24 February 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director

FROM: Director, Office of External Affairs

SUBJECT: Visit by Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, USN (Ret.) on
Tuesday, 1 March, at 2:30 p.m.

1. This memo is sent to you in anticipation of your upcoming meeting with Admiral Moorer. Admiral Moorer's purpose in requesting the meeting is twofold:

- a. Make your acquaintance, in effect, pay a courtesy call on you;
- b. Discuss our current position and state of play regarding our legislative efforts to gain relief from the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

For your information, I have attached a brief sketch of Admiral Moorer's background, including military service career, awards and publications.

2. Of particular interest is the Admiral's PFIAB membership. Admiral Moorer is Chairman of PFIAB's FOIA Committee which is charged with making recommendations to the President regarding FOIA relief for the Intelligence Community. We know for a fact that the Admiral takes this position very seriously and has told us on a number of occasions that he is personally quite interested in helping the Intelligence Community garner effective legislative relief from the FOIA.

3. During the course of the 97th Congress, Admiral Moorer was briefed on two separate occasions concerning the status of our efforts in this regard. Your meeting with him on Tuesday will be the first we've had since the 98th Congress convened. This may be an opportune time to bring the Admiral up to date on the status of our negotiations with the ACLU and our initial plans for introduction of a bill to meet our needs.



4. In that regard it may be useful for us to chat briefly prior to the Admiral's arrival to coordinate our approach.



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ADMIRAL THOMAS H. MOORER, USN (Ret.)

Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, was born in Mount Willing, Alabama on February 9, 1912. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1933 and was commissioned Ensign. He became a Naval Aviator in 1936 and through subsequent promotions attained the rank of Admiral in 1964. He became Commander in Chief of the Pacific Fleet in 1964 and in 1965 Commander NATO Allied Command, Atlantic, the U.S. unified Atlantic Command, and the U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

Admiral Moorer became Chief of Naval Operations in 1967. In 1970 he was appointed Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, a position he held until his retirement in 1974.

Upon his retirement in 1974, Admiral Moorer was presented the Department of Defense Distinguished Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster; the Navy Distinguished Service Medal with Four Gold Stars, and the Distinguished Service Medals of the Army and the Air Force. He also holds the Silver Star, Legion of Merit and Distinguished Flying Cross. On 10 December 1975 Admiral Moorer was inducted into the Alabama Military Hall of Fame.

Admiral Moorer is a member of the Board of Advisors of the Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies; The Citadel of Charleston, South Carolina; the Vally Forge Military Academy and Junior College. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Texaco, Inc.; Vice Chairman of the Board of Blount, Inc.; a member of the Board of Fairchild Industries, Inc.; a member of the Board of United Services Life Insurance Corporation. He is Chairman of the Board of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation, Inc., and President of the Association of Naval Aviation, Inc.

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Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, USN (Ret.)

Admiral Moorer attended the Naval War College from 1952 to 1953. He holds honorary degrees from Samford University, Alabama (LLD); Auburn University, Alabama; and Troy State University, Alabama (Ph.D.)

He is the author of "Formulation of National Policy," Strategic Review, Volume III, Fall 1975; co-author of U.S Overseas Bases: Problems of Projecting American Military Power Abroad, Washington Paper 47 (Sage Publications: Beverly Hills and London, 1977); and co-author of Sea Power and Strategy in the Indian Ocean (Sage Publications: Beverly Hills and London, 1981).

In 1982 he was appointed a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board.